TRIO Emerging Scholars Student Support Services
Scholarship Application Procedures

I. Purpose
   a. The SSS scholarship is designed to encourage and reward active participation
      in the SSS program and other positive academic actions and cannot exceed
      the amount of unmet need as established by the Financial Aid department.
   b. The SSS scholarship provides additional financial grant aid to meet student’s
      full financial need and to reduce the student’s loan burden.

II. SSS Scholarship Amount and Funding Source
   a. The minimum awarded will be $525.00 The maximum shall not exceed the
      amount of Pell grant awarded in any given semester.
   b. SSS will award scholarships each fall and spring semester.
   c. The SSS scholarships are funded by a U. S. Department of Education TRIO
      grant.

III. SSS Eligibility and Application Requirements
   a. Must be active in the SSS program (as per criteria on application).
   b. Must have unmet need. Students whose full financial need has been met by
      aid and/or scholarships are not eligible.
   c. Participants with less than 60 semester hours will be given
      priority over students with more than 60 semester hours.

IV. Scholarship Disbursement
   a. The scholarship will be disbursed through the Business Office at Calhoun
      Community College.
   b. Recipients must pick up their check from the Emerging Scholars Program
      secretary and must sign for the check. No checks will be mailed.

V. Application Deadline
   a. The application deadline for Fall 2013 is December 6, 2013. No exceptions or
      extensions will be given. The completed application must be submitted to:

      Student Support Services Scholarship
      Chasteen Student Center, Suite 220
      P.O. Box 2216
      Decatur, AL 35609

VI. Scholarship Selection
   a. Will be decided by the Student Support Services Emerging Scholars Program
      Scholarship Selection Committee.
   b. Will be consistent with the eligibility criteria and application requirements.
   c. You will be notified by mail or phone regarding the status of your application no
      later than 15 days following the selection of the scholarship recipients.
The information below outlines how you may qualify for a scholarship from the Emerging Scholars Program. **Although you may eligible to receive a scholarship, you will not be awarded the funds until the end of the Fall 2013 semester and will not be considered for another scholarship until next fall.**

- Accepted as a participant
- Must be receiving a Pell grant and have an unmet need of at least the minimum Pell grant award. If your unmet need is less than the minimum Pell grant award, or if you do not have an unmet need, you will NOT be eligible to apply for a scholarship. If you accept student loans to cover your entire unmet need, you will not be eligible for our scholarship. Please take this into consideration when accepting student loans.
- A full-time participant enrolled in 12 hours or more and completes 9-hours with an ending semester GPA of 2.5 will be eligible to receive up to $1200.00 if all other criteria is met.
- A part-time participant enrolled in 6 to 11 hours and completes 6-hours with an ending semester GPA of 2.5 will be eligible to receive up to the minimum Pell grant award if all other criteria is met.
- Mandatory semester GPA of 2.5 or above by end of fall semester…NO EXCEPTIONS
- Must have completed all assessments.
- Must have completed at least 3 study skill workshops by **November 29, 2013 @ 4:15 PM.**
- Have three contacts per semester with program director or advisor for academic advisement.
- Attended 1 cultural enrichment or academic enrichment event.
- One 4-year college visit per year – Please note the academic year restarted with the Fall 2013 semester.
- Completed One of the Financial Literacy options listed on your pink requirements page.
- Accumulate a total of 10 hours of contact time with program staff. These hours can be accumulated by attending workshops presented by program staff or by participating in cultural events.
- Write a 250 word essay describing your career/academic goals and how the Emerging Scholars Program has helped you to achieve them. If you need assistance, we will help you write it.

**Please note:**
You must complete an application packet and submit to the Emerging Scholars Program by December 6, 2013 to be eligible for the Fall scholarship. (early submission of your packets will allow us to begin processing all other required documentation). You must receive a pell grant for scholarship eligibility. All awards are subject to unmet need, GPA, and earned hours. The amount of the scholarship is subject to change, based on the number of applicants. Funds will be granted to first-year participants first. If you are a second year student, you may or may not be eligible to receive an award, but you are responsible for completing all other activities, events, maintaining your GPA and graduating and/or transferring, as per your contract with the Emerging Scholars Program.
TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES
EMERGING SCHOLARS PROGRAM
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please return this application along with a 250-word essay describing your career goals and how the SSS/ESP program will help you achieve them to Emerging Scholars Program, Suite 220, Chasteen Student Center

Name: ___________________________
Address: _______________________________________________
Phone: _______________________________________________
Student ID ___________________________________________
Or SSN: _______________________________________________

Requesting scholarship for:
Fall _____ Spring ______

Have you completed the following assessments?
- LASSI ____ Yes ____ No
- Kuder ____ Yes ____ No
- TIA ____ Yes ____ No
- PEEK ____ Yes ____ No

Have you completed Financial Literacy 101 online?
____ Yes ____ No

Have you had three meetings with the program counselor or program director since the beginning of this semester to discuss academic progress?
____ Yes ____ No

Did you have a total of 10 contact hours with program staff this semester?
____ Yes ____ No

Have you completed at least one semester since joining the Emerging Scholars Program?
____ Yes ____ No

Survey of Services Used
Please indicate your involvement in program services below. The program secretary will verify this information.

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<th>Study Skills Workshops</th>
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Students Pell grant amount: ___________
Students Unmet need amount: ___________
Hours enrolled this semester: ___________
Date joined program: ___________
Hours completed since joining program: ___________
Total hours completed: ___________
Semester GPA: ___________